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- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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In Reply to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2005,  
please amend the above application as set forth below.